









## SUNKEN GOLD.

TREASURES OF THE DEEP SEAS.

## SALVAGE OPERATIONS.

Will the Union des Entreprises Sousmarines succeed in its great attempt to salvage the treasure on board the P. & O. mail-boat "Egypt," sunk in sixty fathoms of water off Ushant after a collision with the French s.s. "Seine"? More than a million in gold and silver lies in her strong-room—and has lain there these last three years.

Diving for the treasure in sunken ships on the floor of the sea is a strange and fantastically difficult undertaking (says Carleton Ashwell, in the "Sunday Chronicle"). The French salvage concern which has contracted to make the attempt on the "Egypt" possesses accurate charts of the wreck's position, all the latest scientific and engineering appliances, a staff of intrepid divers, specially equipped ships—and yet the success of its treasure hunt is by no means certain.

The sea plays queer tricks with the broken vessels which sink into its green depths burdened with a ton or two of gold and silver, and a few fortunes in jewels. The gigantic pressures of the water crushes the timber and steel bones; currents and eddies carry the wreckage far from the spot where it disappeared; rocks roll down upon it from the subterranean mountains, the Alps and the Himalayas of the deep seas; mud engulfs it, and clay silts over it.

## BEYOND HUMAN REACH.

That is why, of the inimitable golden treasures lying on the sea bed in the track of the well-worn seaways, within reach of divers with up-to-date equipment, only an infinitesimal portion has been recovered to date.

The larger portion of the ocean treasures lies beyond the reach of man—at least, so far as we can tell to-day. It has been estimated that gold, silver, and jewels to the total amount of ten thousand millions of pounds are scattered over the floor of the sea at depths of 150 fathoms and more—depths which would crush a diver like an egg-shell under a steam hammer and flatten even a giant armoured-plated submarine like a lemon under the squeezer.

Of the treasure lying well within the reach of modern man, or a trifle beyond the safe diving limit, an aggregate of more than £1,000,000,000 has actually been charted from authentic records by one big salvage concern. This mighty board lies scattered around three oceans, and dates from the wrecks of the Armada years and the great days of the buccaners, to the last month of the German U-boat operations.

More than a hundred expeditions are known to-day to be actively working in the vicinity of treasure ships sunk in the Pacific, Indian, and Atlantic oceans. Are they mere optimists? Some are, but every year an appreciable amount of treasure is recovered from the bottom of the ocean, and in the majority of cases the world hears nothing about it. Only some bold speculator, salvage expert, or intrepid diver comes home with a small



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fortune which has, apparently, fallen from the skies.

## IN ROTTING HULKS.

Salvage operations, undertaken by private syndicates and the British Government, have recovered a considerable portion of the total wealth sunk in ships off the Irish coast during the war. Other treasure lies in that particular stretch of sea—in rotting hulks which went down in the Napoleonic Wars, and earlier still, when Spain warred with England on the high seas.

One of the greatest of the known treasure ships is that which contained the fabulous collection of jewels belonging to the ex-Emperor Maximilian of Mexico. The treasure ship foundered on its way to Europe, and its precise whereabouts is as much a mystery as is the spot where the hoard of Montezuma lies buried.

The wealth of the "Laurentie" and the "Luthe" are as nothing compared to the aggregate value of the gold, silver, statuary and other valuables strewn over the rocky bottom of Navarino Bay in the skeletons of the 63 ships of the Turkish Fleet, sent to the bottom by the allied English, French and Russian Fleet a century ago.

It was in 1827 that the Turks, warned that Russia, France, and England had formed a coalition to "drive them out of Greece, stripped the country bare of its portable wealth and embarked on their fleet. Ibrahim Pasha, the Turkish Admiral, took refuge in Navarino Bay on the south-west coast of Greece on hearing that the combined fleet of the Allies were in pursuit, and there the British Admiral Codrington surprised him at anchor and sunk his entire fleet.

Ibrahim Pasha's records prove that his flagship alone contained some £5,000,000 in gold and jewels; and in the manuscripts left by Chevalier "Raoul de Ramon, commander of the French flagship "Sirene" at Navarino, is a note from the papers of Monharem Bay, giving the amount of money for expenses and food of the army in charge of the two Turkish Fleet commanders.

Two millions of dollars they had, and "to these there must be added as much again. . . . I, too, had sent me by Hassan 20 large bags of money and 10,000 gold ducats. Together with what I had before, it amounts to 60 money bags, and 30,000 gold pieces of all kinds."

## TOBERMORY GALLEON.

An older treasure, which has defied all attempts at recovery for centuries, lies with the rotting bones of the Spanish galleon "Duke of Florence" under the mud of Tobermory Bay on the wild Scottish coast. She went down, along with 400 men, 30,000,000 gold pieces of eight, a huge treasure in jewels and plate, and the jewelled crown intended for the coronation of Philip of Spain in London as King of fallen England, just 236 years ago; and though many treasure hunters, from kings and queens to the intrepid woman diver Margaret Naylor, who in 1924 took over the search from Colonel Foss,

under licence from the Duke of Argyll, have hunted the treasure, the bulk of it still eludes the grasp of man.

To-day, remarkable diving equipment, reinforced with steel and copper plates and hoops, enables the diver to work 120 feet beneath the surface; and specially fitted up ships with giant grapnels and the treasure seeker. But the bulk of the ocean hoard will never be reached until some wonderful mechanism or apparatus is devised, allowing men to explore the sea-bed and work on it at depths far exceeding those which submarines and divers reach to-day.



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## ASYLUM CASE.

CONSPIRACY CHARGE PROVED.

ACCUSED SENT TO PRISON.

The case against two Chinese who were charged with a conspiracy to obtain the belongings of a patient at the Lunatic Asylum was concluded at the Central Magistrate's yesterday, when both the defendants were sent to prison.

The defence put forward by Mr. M. W. Lo on behalf of the first defendant was that he had been used as a tool by the second defendant, the ward boy.

Six weeks' hard labour was imposed on the first defendant. The second defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

## LONDON MYSTERY.

MY GIRL FROM PARIS DISAPPEARS.

AFTER HIDE IN A TAXI.

Of all the mysteries of missing girls—which have been so frequent lately—none is so intriguing as that of Denise Lucas Shadwell, for whom the police of London and Paris are searching.

She is an extremely pretty girl, shy and delicately refined in manner, quietly, almost slowly, dressed; she speaks French like a native, but little and broken English—and she has "disappeared" in London.

She recently came from Paris and disappeared after a taxi-drive from a house in Kensington to the house of an aunt in Victoria, where she picked up her luggage. The police are anxious that the taxi-man who drove her should come forward to give evidence.

The second daughter of an English consular official and a French mother, Denise has lived in Paris with her father and mother and four sisters since her birth, seventeen years ago, and she and her sister were educated at a convent. Some days ago she was taken from school, and sent to England for the winter, in the hope that the English country air might strengthen her and bring a rosy flush to her pale cheeks.

She came to England in the charge of a King's Messenger, a friend of her family, who left her at a house in Parkgate, Hastings, where her grandmother and aunt lived. There she spent the week-end.

Last Tuesday she was brought to London by the aunt, and both stayed as the guests of Mr. Douglas Coghill, ex-M.P. for Stoke-on-Trent. It was intended that afterwards they would go to a village near Alton, Hampshire, where Denise was to spend the winter with another aunt.

On Friday afternoon, when Mrs. Coghill and the aunt returned from a bazaar, they learned, to their dismay, that the girl had gone, leaving behind a letter in which she said:—

"I am sorry for all the trouble I have caused. Do not write and tell mother until you hear from me next Monday. I shall be all right."

The distracted women at once telephoned another aunt at St. George's-sq., S.W., where Denise's luggage had been taken in the morning, and learned that the girl had driven up in a taxi late on Friday afternoon. She collected her luggage and drove away to an unknown destination.

It is possible that Denise caught the boat train for Paris yesterday morning, and made straight for the convent in Paris, where she has been with her sisters. She left a note to the aunt in St. George's-sq., saying she could not stand idleness away from school, and that she was anxious to get back to her sisters.

The boat train did not reach Paris until five o'clock, an hour before the girl's mother had left Paris for London.

Denise is described as five feet two inches in height, fair-haired, blue-eyed, and of slim build. In the convent at Dijon she had been studying hard for a degree. She was a clever girl, but her health had given rise to some anxiety, and a doctor who has been called in declared that she had overworked herself.

It was then decided by her parents that she would benefit by a holiday in England, and arrangements were made for her stay with friends near Hastings.

Mrs. Lucas Shadwell, the girl's grandmother, is a member of a well-known county family and resides at Pott, near Hastings.

## TO SPEND £30,000,000.

"I WANT TO DRY THE TEARS OF THE WORLD."

TOBACCO KING'S RICHES.

Great vague schemes and high ideals for helping suffering humanity are forming in the mind of sixteen-year-old Doris Duke, the richest girl in the world, who inherits about \$30,000,000 under the will of her late father, the famous American tobacco king, says "The People."

"It sounds like a fairy tale," said Miss Duke, when told that the amount at her command would reach thirty millions sterling. "I never imagined that any one person could command so much money, and I am sure I do not know how I shall handle it."

She added that her first journey, when everything is settled, would be to England. "I have heard a lot about the wonders of London, but have never been there. I want to go, to see the Court of the King and to see something of the wonderful society you have over there."

## AN ENGLISH HUSBAND?

When it was suggested that, like so many other American girls of great wealth, she might find a husband in English society, she blushed, smiled and retorted:— "That hadn't occurred to me, and I don't know that it appeals to me. Like most girls, I have my ideas and my ideals. I attach greatest importance to the latter, and nothing else matters. I would not let a man's poverty stand in the way of love were there with us."

But don't run away with the idea that I am going to prove an easy victim for the fortune-hunter. I am not built that way. I hope I shall know how to spend my dollars in a good cause, but I shall know how to take care of them."

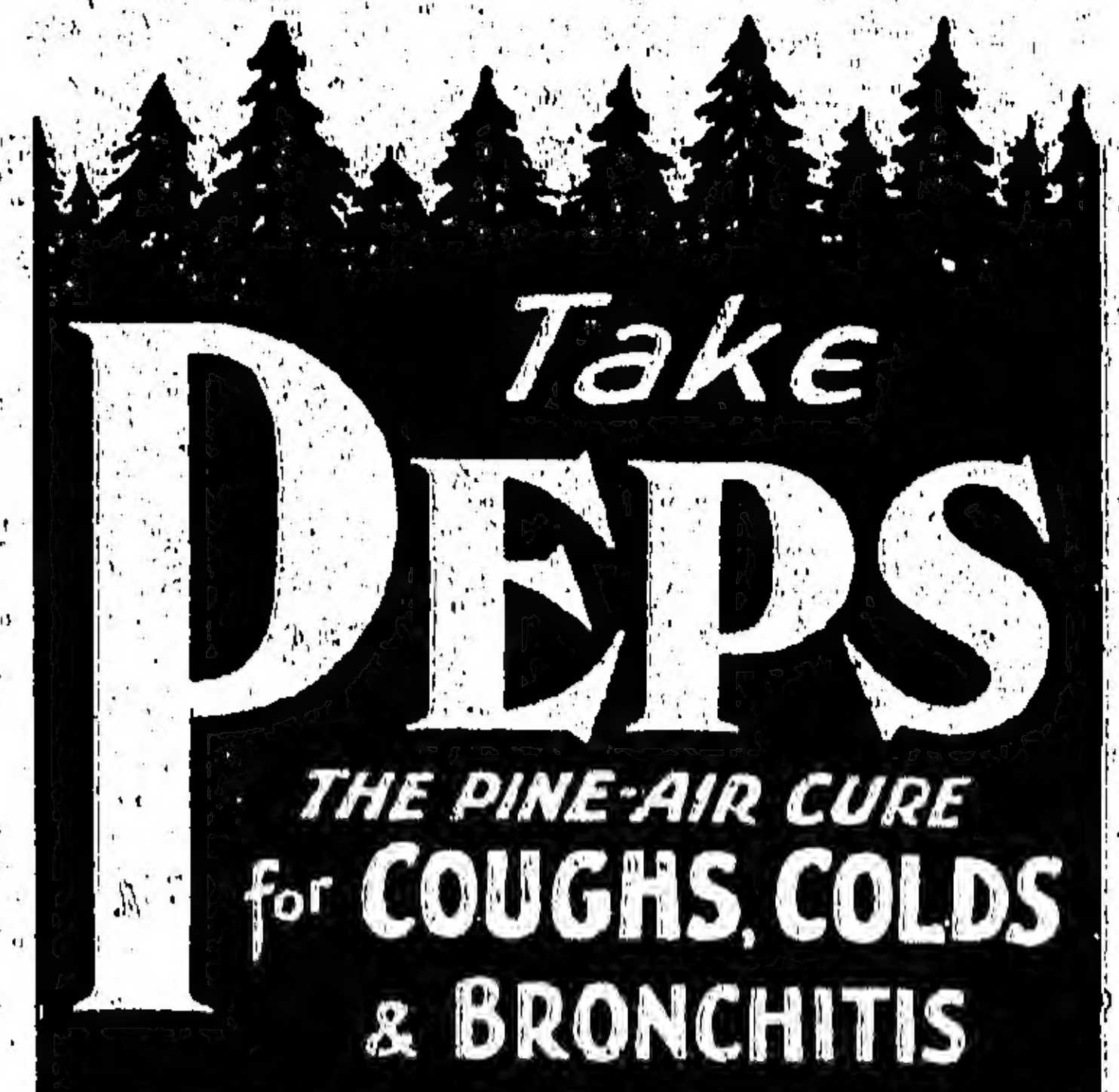
Miss Duke is not content to see only one side of life, for she insists that when she reaches England she will see the other side of the picture.

"I want to see the squalid hovels of the East End," she said. "I have heard much of your slums and the awful sufferings of the slum dwellers. I would like to take a little sunshine into those dark and gloomy alleys, but I don't quite know yet how it is to be done."

"I am taking the advice of sound guides and hope to do something. Carnegie spent his great wealth well, and others have done nearly as well, but somehow I do not think they have quite succeeded in achieving anything really big in the way of drying up the tears of the world. I want to do that, and I pray that God may guide me right."

"IT IS TERRIBLE?" "It is terrible to think of all the sorrow and suffering in the world, but I realise that it is difficult to decide on what is best, because, even with thirty millions, it will be impossible to do more than brighten one corner of the world and a very little corner at that."

"Just where that corner is going to be I cannot say, but I am ever so keen to get busy, and I think I will begin with the children, for I am a great believer in bringing sunshine into the lives of the young. That's the kind of investment I am going in for. It's returns of that sort I am after, not the ordinary dividends. I guess I shall have a busy life."



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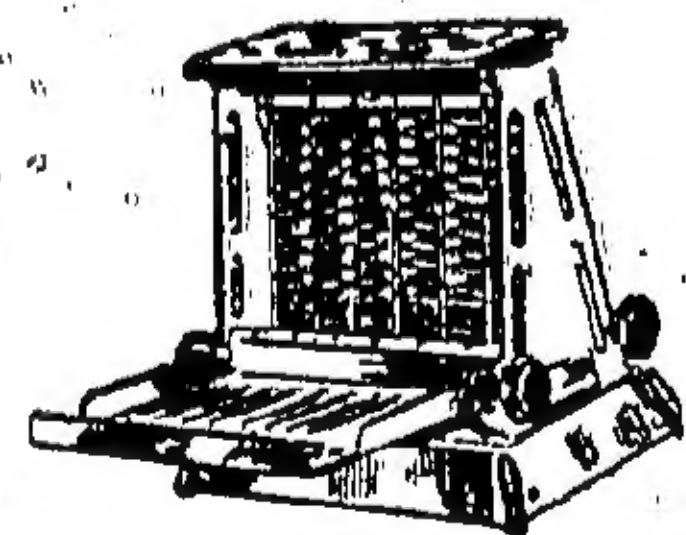
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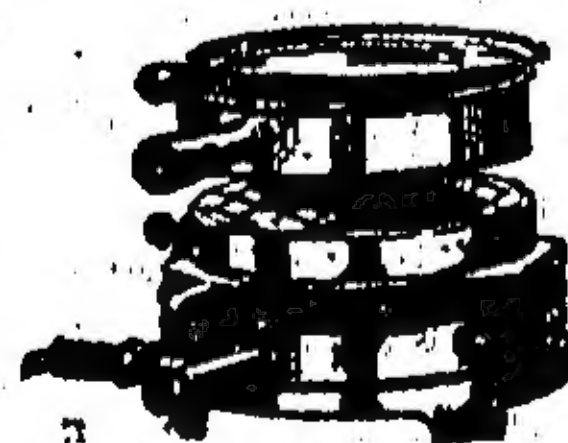
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### DEATH.

SMITH.—Mr. Alexander Finlay  
Smith, on 11th January at  
the Isle of Wight. (By  
cable.)

Hongkong Tuesday, January 12, 1926.

### HONORARY DEGREES.

Honorary degree giving, like  
charity, should begin at home.  
Today's ceremony at the University  
of Hongkong meets the case.  
The recipients of honorary  
degrees are, almost without exception,  
local men. The name of Mr.  
R. Ponsonby Fane may not be  
quite a household one but  
it will be found that the  
Vice-Chancellor, who, on  
these occasions, acts as public  
orator, has made out a good case  
why a degree honour should be  
given in Mr. Fane's case. Cricket  
is not Mr. Fane's sole  
hobby. The University has had  
a very staunch friend in him.  
Perhaps we should say the students  
have—which is probably the  
same thing. For to his dis-  
interested work amongst them he  
has brought to bear a cultured  
mind. Mr. Fane has that insight  
into the thoughts and desires of  
the Chinese students which comes  
from a willingness to grasp main  
essentials in the best that the  
Chinese student has to offer. The  
Hon. Mr. Kotewall's name is  
universally known. Each departing  
official pays tribute to his  
sagacity, his ability, and to his  
willingness to shoulder responsibility.  
If a fierce light beats  
about a throne, it beats also about  
those who figure in the public  
eye. The time has not yet come  
to write the history of the University  
of Hongkong. When it does,  
Mr. Kotewall's name will figure  
in it. We may then read of those  
innumerable acts of his, which be-  
sides reflecting credit on the man,  
will go to prove what a human  
institution—with the failings and  
virtues of human nature—the  
West Point seat of learning is.  
Sir Cecil Clementi, as is only right  
and proper, is honoured. Not  
merely because he is the Governor  
of the Colony and the University's  
Chancellor, but by reason also of  
past services rendered to the  
cause of education and also, we  
hope, by reason of those qualities  
of culture which should do much  
for "The Lighthouse of the East."  
Tribute to Sir Edward Stubbs has  
already been paid by a former  
Vice-Chancellor. Sir William

Brunyate—a discerning student  
of human nature. Sir Edward is  
thus linked more firmly with the  
Colony by the conferring of an  
honorary degree. The list of  
those honoured by the University  
grows with the passing years.  
Already it includes the names of  
those famed outside the bounds  
of the Colony in the particular  
pursuits they have made their  
own. But it is also includes the  
names of local personages who, by  
their generosity of service and of  
gifts, have made it possible to  
establish this monument of good  
will towards China and the  
Chinese.

### SAFER STREETS.

"Punch's" little joke about the  
kangaroo being Nature's abortive  
attempt to make the perfect  
pedestrian may not be as true of  
Hongkong as it is of many an-  
other part of the world. Yet it  
must be said that the Colony's  
streets are by no means as safe  
as they should be, even for the  
more alert and agile members of  
the community. We quite realise  
when we write this that the  
pedestrian is not free from fault.  
The absence of the traffic instinct,  
as it is called, has long been be-  
moaned as one of the chief civic  
defects of the Chinese. But the  
faults of the pedestrian are not so  
great that the motorist should  
treat him as he often does—with  
scant courtesy and less regard for  
personal safety. This applies  
most strongly in the city itself,  
where there is "no excuse, either  
for the offending motorist, or for  
the authorities who permit him to  
infringe the rights of others. The  
particular offence which we have  
in mind is the practice of speed-  
ing across street intersections.  
Motorists are permitted to drive  
at any speed they choose in the  
Colony provided they do not drive  
to the danger of the public. Hav-  
ing seen the way this is interpreted  
by some of them in the very  
heart of the city, we are strongly  
of the opinion that a speed limit  
is urgently required for street  
intersections. Six miles an hour  
is the limit imposed in some cities  
for busy corners, and we think it  
might well be adopted here. Such  
a regulation would be no hardship  
on the cautious and courteous  
motorist and it would serve to  
curb the reckless. The matter  
would not then be one of leaving  
it to the discretion of an Indian  
pointman to decide whether or  
not a motorist was driving to the  
danger of the public—it would  
simply be a question of speed.

### Against the Bolsheviks.

There is often a tendency on the  
part of certain classes of the  
public to place Labourites, Social-  
ists, Communists, and Bolsheviks  
in the same condemnatory  
category. "If" goes a sort of  
popular argument, "a man is a  
Socialist, he must also be a  
Bolshevik"; or, again, "if a man  
is a Labourite he must at the same  
time be a Communist." It  
is a theory that has steadily gained  
ground through the under-  
mining influences of the Com-  
munists themselves. Their sole  
aim is to disintegrate Socialist and  
Labourite organisations—firstly,  
through membership, and secondly,  
by propaganda directed to-  
ward placing Communists in  
office in place of Socialists or  
Labourites. The Socialist Foreign  
Minister of Belgium, M. Van Der  
Velde, is one of the eminent mem-  
bers of his Party who has publicly  
disavowed Bolshevism and  
Bolshevik propaganda. "Socialist  
Democracy," he declared at  
Charleroi on Sunday, "would be  
undermined by the immense force of  
it imagined that there was no  
alternative but the persistence of  
capitalist domination or univer-  
sal Bolshevism." In Sydney,  
again, the Deputy Leader of the  
State Parliamentary Party (Mr.  
N. R. Loughlin) published  
on December 10, 1925, a state-

ment disclosing organised  
Communist treachery within the  
Trade Union movement. "The  
Communist members of Trades  
Unions," he declares, "are in-  
structed to endeavour to depose  
old and tried officials of the Union  
and to replace them by Com-  
munist believers in revolution.  
The Communist thesis of tactics  
affirms it to be the duty of all  
affiliated bodies to fight the Trade  
Unions bureaucracy from within  
in order to transform the Trades  
Unions into revolutionary mass  
organisations." He states that  
his charges are known to the in-  
dustrial leaders in Sydney, and  
concludes: "The fact must be  
faced that the Communist Party  
with its disreputable system of  
spying and treachery, is a distinct  
danger to the existence and  
efficiency of the industrial move-  
ment in this country. All sane  
Trade Unionists must take action  
to protect themselves from this  
insidious organisation." Thus  
are the Communists unmasked in  
Belgium and Australia. What  
Brussels and Sydney think to-  
day, will Peking and Canton  
think to-morrow?

### CHEUNG CHAU NOTES

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The European population was  
augmented last week by members  
of the New Zealand Mission who  
were holding their conference here.  
It was a full week in respect of  
meetings, as the gatherings for the  
week of Prayer were held in  
various houses each evening.

The Bible class, and Sunday  
school are still carried on. The  
preacher last Sunday was Dr.  
H. J. Clift, who has opened up a  
Medical Mission work here, his  
rooms being situated near the  
Electric light station.

Next Sunday the service will be  
conducted by Dr. Kirk of the New  
Zealand Mission.

We are expecting shortly to be  
able to use the restored pier, and  
shall be thankful to avoid the bur-  
ge trips back and forth.

The additions to the Police  
station have also been a protracted  
job but seem to be nearing the last  
stages.

The Missionaries who have re-  
cently returned from the country  
and Canton report matters to be  
quiet. On the whole the Authori-  
ties have prevented any serious  
demonstration on the part of the  
anti-Christian movements. The people  
are quite friendly.

### EXAMINATIONS.

#### UNIVERSITY JUNIOR LOCAL RESULTS.

The results of the Junior Local  
Examination in connection with  
Hongkong University are to hand  
from the Registrar and are  
published subject to the approval  
of the Senate:—

#### Pass List—Boys.—

St. Joseph's College.—Pedro  
Vicente Botelho, Chan Ki-nin,  
(Dist. Arithmetic and Book-keep-  
ing), Chan Shee-peng, Chan Shee-  
wing (Dist. Arithmetic), Chow  
Yee-cheung, Roy Umberto Danen-  
berg, Hung Sing-kan, Lau Po-  
kuen, Leung Man-chuk, Li Pak-  
yeung, Daniel Liu (Dist. Arith-  
metic), Edgar George Mathias,  
Henrique Antonio Noronha,  
Henrique Jose Noronha, Cecil  
Paley, George William Pearson,  
Augusto P. Pereira, Cornelio  
Charlie Pereira, Alberto Maria  
Rodrigues (Dist. Mathematics),  
Edward Albert Roza, Henrique  
Rozario, Guilherme Francisco  
Victor.

Queen's College.—Chan Fook-  
lynn, Chan Kin-chung (Dist. Book-  
keeping), Chan Yuen-cheung  
(Dist. Mathematics), Cheung  
Man-tin (Dist. Chinese), Chu  
Kam-piu, Ishaak Haroon, Omar  
Hassan (Dist. Physics), Hu Pak-  
mi (Dist. Chinese and Physics),  
Leung Tung-chun, Lo Kun-kan,  
Mak Pak-kin (Dist. Book-keep-  
ing), Ng Wai-man, Abdul Shakoor  
Suffiad, Tam Kam-ku, Tam Kam-  
shau, Wong Piu-kai, Wong Shiu-  
chuen, Lo Ka-fan (Dist. Chinese),  
Tso Nai-shung.

Diocesan Boys' School.—Samuel  
Alvin Chenallo, Cheung Kung-  
leung (Dist. Physics), Arthur  
Basil Clarke, Albert Cross,  
Aubrey Edward Dawson (Dist.  
Music), Lawrence Richard Dixon,  
Eric Leslie George Goddard (Dist.  
English), Mathematics and  
Mechanics), Alexander Claude  
Greaves (Dist. English), Ho  
Kwai-hung (Dist. Chinese and  
Mechanics), Walter Alexander  
Hunt, Lau Ting, Harry Lee,  
Harold Clarence Leong, Norman  
Alexander Edward Mackay,  
Stephen Arnold Reed, Wong Kam-  
piu (Dist. Arithmetic and Book-  
keeping), Wong Kwong-yan  
(Dist. Mathematics), Wu Yan-tak  
(Dist. Physics, Chemistry and

Mathematics), Frederick  
Zimmerman (Dist. Arithmetic and  
Mechanics), John Ariel Fox.

St. Stephen's College.—Chung  
Sak-chiu (Dist. Physics and  
Mechanics), Kong Chi-wing,  
Leung Ka-cham (Dist. Mech-  
anics), Tan Tong-let, Law Jor-  
tsun (Dist. Chinese).

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hung, Chau Chiu-kin, Chau Chi-  
kong, Cheung Hin-bo, Hin Seung-  
yick (Dist. Mathematics), Kwan  
Man-wai, Sung Shung-hi, Wong  
Tao-fun (Dist. Arithmetic), Wong  
Wai-lim, Woon Ten-fook (Dist.  
English).

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ching, Chan Ling-chi, William  
Lai Fook (Dist. Arithmetic),  
Albert Lau, Sung Man-chan.  
Educational Institute.—Chan  
Hing-sum, Cheung Ting-kwong,  
Fung Chuk-wan, Wong Yim-u  
(Dist. Arithmetic), Young Kui.  
Tutorial Institute.—Chan Yok-  
man (Dist. Book-keeping), Wan  
Sik-chuen.

Central British School.—George  
W. Arnold, Leonard Arthur  
Easterbrook (Dist. English),  
John Laing.

Sacred Heart School.—Wong  
Wu-kwan.

To Man Wai School.—Ma Fen-  
fei.

Private Study.—Kwik Siang-  
leung (Dist. Arithmetic), Yu Pak-  
chuen.

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Henriette Demeo, Molly Franco  
(Dist. Needlework), Carolina  
Maher, (Dist. Biblical Know-  
ledge), E. Santos, (Dist. Needle-  
work), Alice Suffiad, Lily  
Williams (Dist. Biblical Know-  
ledge), Wong Po-chue, Benedicta  
Xavier, Carmen Xavier.

Bellios Public School.—Chan  
King-sim, Cheung Wai-foon, Law  
Yik-chun, Lo Hing-hing, Ngo Sui-  
hing (Dist. Needlework), Tang  
Yuk-hing (Dist. Needlework),  
Wong Sau-yung.

French Convent.—Thelma  
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Margaret Hudson, May O'Hoy  
(Dist. Biblical Knowledge),  
Yvonne Phalavau (Dist. His-  
tory, Biblical Knowledge and  
Needlework), Lina Silva-Netto  
(Dist. Needlework), Lily Shearer,  
Audrey Steel.

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Remedios, Carlina Ribeiro, Olga

### SUN'S ECLIPSE.

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WHERE BEST TO SEE IT.

The total eclipse of the Sun  
which occurs on January 14 will  
be visible at Hongkong as a  
partial eclipse, beginning at  
8.00 p.m. and ending at 4.58 p.m.  
The greatest phase occurs at 4.02  
p.m., when a little less than a  
third of the sun's disc will be  
eclipsed, so that no great dimi-  
nution of light will be noticed.

The path of totality passes over  
Southern Sumatra, Borneo and  
Mindanao. Over Sumatra the  
totality on the central line will  
last for 3 minutes; over Borneo  
for 2½ minutes; and over  
Mindanao for 2 minutes. An ex-  
pedition sent by the Joint Perma-  
nent Eclipse Committee of the  
Royal and Royal Astronomical  
Societies, sailed from Liverpool  
by the s.s. "Antenor" on Novem-  
ber 7 for Sumatra. The work  
undertaken will be mainly spec-  
troscopic, special attention being  
paid to the ultra-violet and infra-  
red portions of the coronal flash  
spectra. The Einstein "shift"  
will be re-investigated by parties  
from Potsdam and Swarthmore.

Ribeiro (Dist. Music), Teresa  
Sanchez (Dist. Needlework).  
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Choy Wai-haan (Dist. Music),  
Fok Sut-ngo (Dist. Needlework),  
Ada Leung (Dist. Needlework),  
Li Yuk-wa (Dist. Needlework),  
Hannah Surh (Dist. Needle-  
work), Tong Woon-ying (Dist.  
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Raymond.

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Figueiredo (Dist. Needlework),  
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Grose (Dist. English), Rosie  
Ponsonby (Dist. English), Thalia  
M. Prata (Dist. Needlework),  
Violet A. Shee, Dorothy Wynn  
Williams.

## THE TEMPLE OF CONFUCIUS.

We passed on through the city's  
double gates and reached our  
destination just beyond. Who  
could do justice in mere words to  
all the glorious beauties of this  
hallowed place? The entrance  
gate is quite magnificent in red  
and gold, with marble bridge and  
balustrades leading across a bit of  
water to another sumptuous gate.

The spacious courts within  
were filled with ancient cypress  
trees, which seem but venerable  
guardians to the glorious temple  
rooms which there abound. To  
stand there on a lovely day, in  
silence, where the rabble of the  
streets is not allowed to come, and  
gaze upon the lofty beauty of it  
all, is a rare privilege and one  
worth undergoing much to finally  
realise and experience.

"Let your thoughts be pure,"  
the honoured sage had said. The  
very essence of that saying seem-  
ed to permeate. Music he loved,  
and poetry, and beauty of  
every kind. He believed in  
universal peace and governmental  
righteousness, and so was called  
the "Throneless King." Emperors  
and literati listened to him with  
deep reverence, and had his  
beliefs in education of the people  
taken root. China to-day would be  
a very different nation, one of  
more character and moral  
strength.

His high ideals were often met  
with apathy; he was a man so far  
beyond his times that even now  
his aspirations for his people have  
never fructified. Until the  
very end he wrote, and left his  
world a living library of many  
books.

Thinking these thoughts we  
passed beneath nine gates through  
the three lovely courts, where  
pale lilies, marble bridges and  
great trees abound, and reached  
the Temple of the Sage. We trod  
the path that millions have passed  
over to pay homage to Confucius's  
name, and knew that in all China  
no place is held more hallowed in  
the people's thoughts.

His temple is magnificent—a  
monstrous pile of red, with green  
tiled roof and heavy richly paint-  
ed eaves—and all in excellent  
repair. Without its massive  
swinging doors, is a long row of  
columns of white marble, over  
which twice, deeply cut, twisting

the whole length round and round,  
the writhing dragons so renown-  
ed for their super workmanship.  
On either side, along the open  
court, are low-roofed rooms with  
open fronts, holding the many  
tablets of his followers.

A keeper came and at our word  
opened the massive doors, and  
we stepped high above a wooden  
sill and stood upon a black stone  
floor within the vacant room.  
Red pillars reached to the high  
ceiling, all ablaze with gold and  
coloured decorations, where the  
pigeons cooed. Gray floating  
incense during ceremonies fill the  
spaces of the darkened room  
rising from censers made of  
bronze. A huge red altar table  
stood before the sacred figure of  
the sage, beyond which had been  
placed standards of gold and  
green and blue, holding the altar-  
sars of yellow cloisonné.

On a colossal altar all of red  
and gold with yellow satin cur-  
tains draped before it upon which  
azure dragons coiled, sat Con-  
fucius in quite heroic proportions.  
Red columns flanked both sides,  
upon whose surface realistic  
golden dragons wrapped them-  
selves. The story is that at his  
birth they both appeared to visit  
him! A tablet with a gold carved  
frame hangs high above bearing  
the legend: "Master Exemplar  
for all the Ages."

Very benign he looks, holding  
before his breast, between clasped  
hands, the audience tablet curving  
towards him where his eyes may  
rest. Always fastidious in life,  
his robes to-day are rich and  
ample with voluminous flowing  
sleeves; his long mustache, black  
and drooping; and high in his  
ears, above the lobes, are fastened  
green jade bells which drop on  
slender chains. His flattened hat  
carries a heavy string of gleaming  
beads which fall down to his very  
eyes, and placed before him is his  
sacred tablet carved in red and  
gold.

His father was a warrior of  
great stature, and he is said to  
have been built of equal size. But  
of a different turn of mind. His  
belief in music and its helpful in-  
fluence was next to that of  
righteousness itself, and always  
at the ceremonies held in the  
spring, and fall, of every year  
within his temple, to this day,  
joy choirs sing his ode, and his  
own ancient types of instruments  
are used, among them lyres and  
flutes, musical bells and stones of  
sonorous tones. Elizabeth O.  
Enders in "Temple Park and  
Silver Sails."



## TRAIN BANDITS.

## APPALLING TALE OF HORROR.

## RUTHLESS SLAUGHTER.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Mexico City, Jan. 11.

A tale of horror practically unequalled in Mexican history is told by survivors of the train outrage on their arrival penniless and stripped of all their belongings. It appears that no foreigners were killed, though all the soldiers belonging to the escort and many Mexican passengers were brutally slaughtered.

A total of fully fifty passengers were murdered.

## SOLDIERS' THROATS CUT.

The bandits locked the doors of all the coaches, cut the throats of the soldiers as they slept or shot them in cold blood.

They then proceeded to rob the passengers, mercilessly killing any who resisted and many who did not resist. The coaches resembled a shambles.

## AGONISED SHRIEKS.

The survivors plainly heard the agonised shrieks of the wounded, mingled with the cracking of burning woodwork.

The foreigners in the Pullman car, which was also incinerated, were reported to have escaped, though their whereabouts are unknown.

## HEROIC GUARD.

The guard, who was the hero of the tragedy, narrowly escaped death. He tramped all night and got through a telephone message to Guadalajara imploring aid.

A relief train was quickly on the scene carrying troops. As bandits made off with the locomotive they stopped at Yureguero station and looted the town, after which they resumed their flight to the mountains, where they tore up the track.

## THE FIRST NEWS.

Mexico City, Jan. 11. The military escort proved powerless to prevent the looting of a train and the murder of most of the passengers, between Guadalajara and Mexico City.

Twenty armed and disguised bandits boarded the train and attacked the escort with knives. The bandits killed all except seven of the escort, who were seriously wounded. Thereafter the bandits rifled the train and robbed the passengers, summarily despatching those who resisted.

Finally they set fire to the train, containing the bodies of their victims, and escaped on the engine.

Communications are cut, and fuller details are lacking. Troops have been ordered to pursue the bandits.

## BURNED BEYOND RECOGNITION.

Later. Railway Headquarters report the recovery of twenty bodies, burned beyond recognition. It is believed that other bodies are in the debris of the coaches, which were derailed.

The engine, on which the bandits escaped, was found, derailed, several stations from the scene of the outrage.

## DIPLOMAT'S INSULT.

## JAPANESE REACTIONARIES BELLICOSE.

## THE "BRAZILIAN INCIDENT."

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

The Foreign Office spokesman states that the Japanese Government is much worried over the "Brazilian incident" as the Black Dragon, Taikosa, and other reactionary societies are visiting the Foreign Office and demanding the recall of the Brazilian Ambassador, Señor Delmae Silva, as his action is regarded as an insult to the Imperial House.

The Government, however, is still anxious to prevent the affair becoming a diplomatic incident and is leaving the Police to settle the matter though it is feared that the Opposition parties may use the case for home political purpose against the Government.

The "Brazilian affair" refers to the following cable, received from Tokyo on Saturday: It is officially confirmed that this morning the Brazilian Ambassador attempted to cross a road along which the Prince Regent was about to pass on his way to the Palace after the annual troop review, but bystanders remonstrated with him, whereupon the Ambassador struck out. Two policemen who endeavoured to intervene were injured by the Brazilian diplomat. It is understood that the Foreign Office is investigating the matter.

## FLOODS SUBSIDE.

## FIELDS AND ROADS AGAIN APPEAR.

## A SUNNY WEEK-END.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Jan. 11.

The Thames floods are subsiding rapidly at all points and fields and roads are emerging again from the waste waters.

A Paris report states that the Seine and all its tributaries are falling. From Amsterdam a fine, sunny week-end is reported. The floods are gradually subsiding, but, even in the absence of further rain, draining and dyke repairing will be a lengthy and costly business. All workers rendered idle through the floods will receive unemployment pay.

## DUTCH QUEEN'S MESSAGE.

Amsterdam, Jan. 11.

All the rivers have now fallen considerably. The damage is grave, many houses having completely collapsed and the contents swept away or ruined.

The Queen has sent a message to the people praising the heroic rescue work and the unselfish welcome given to the homeless refugees, and the indefatigable toll in stemming the floods, and appealing to all to join in prayers for the victims and the wardens of the dykes.

The Queen and the Prince Consort have decided to devote all the contributions to their silver wedding fund toward the flood relief fund.

## ICEBOUND SHIPS.

## SPLENDID WORK BY AVIATORS.

## DROP FOOD AND FUEL.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Jan. 11.

Aeroplanes have gone to the rescue of icebound ships, ascribed by a Helsingfors correspondent as due to the continuance of the Arctic cold which thickened the ice in the Gulf of Finland with the result that 35 vessels have stuck near Hogland Island.

Two German steamers are reported to have sunk.

The crews of most of the ships are suffering from shortage of food and fuel.

Finnish Army aviators from Viborg and Helsingfors did splendid work in spite of the frightful cold, and dropped a hundred pounds of provisions and ice near the stranded steamers.

Several airmen are suffering from frost-bite.

## DISARMAMENT.

## CONSIDERABLE DIVERGENCE OF VIEWS.

## PESSIMISTIC REPORT.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, January 11.

Reuter learns that it will not be surprising if it is deemed inadvisable to adhere to the proposed date (February 16) for the meeting of the preliminary Committee on Disarmament at Geneva in view of the considerable divergence of views among the Governments in regard to the scope thereof.

It appears that the United States, although sending a strong delegation to the Committee, desires to separate naval from military disarmament, whilst France, Italy, and Japan will not agree to any separation of the two problems, and France most strongly insists on an examination of the potential war strength of all the countries concerned.

## SHEEP REARING.

## PROSPECTS IN NORTHERN TERRITORY.

## WATER SUPPLY PROBLEM.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, January 11.

A hopeful view of the future of the Northern Territory is taken from a report by the Northern Territory Land Board.

It states that the Northern Territory is capable of considerable development. The existence of large supplies of underground water proves that there is no reason why, with improved water supplies, better roads, and railway facilities, those districts at present producing cattle should not be successful with sheep.

## CHANG MOVES.

## SEVERE ALL RELATIONS WITH PEKING.

## A JAPANESE REPORT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, Jan. 11.

A Japanese source in Mukden telegraphs that Marshal Chang Tso-lin has issued a circular telegram announcing that Manchuria has severed administrative relations and communications with Peking.

## PEKING'S TROUBLES.

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

Owing to the probable developments of activities by Wu Pei-fu at Hankow, the spokesman of the Japanese Foreign Office states that he considers the prospects for the Extraterritoriality Conference dubious.

He thinks that Feng Yu-hsiang will probably remain in Mongolia, watching the general developments in the China situation, before proceeding to Europe.

It is understood that the Government fears further troubles are likely, as Li Ching-shan is re-collecting an army in Shantung and purposes to re-open fighting later.

## CHILEAN FINANCE.

## FOUNDING OF NEW CENTRAL BANK.

## NOTES ON GOLD BASIS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Santiago de Chile, Jan. 11. The New Central Bank has been founded by the Government, for the purpose of reorganising Chile's monetary system, with a capital of 150,000,000 pesos, subscribed partly by the Government, partly by the National Banks, partly by foreign banks operating in Chile, and partly by the public. The new Bank commenced business with an issue of notes on a gold basis.

## KING OF HEDJAZ.

## FORMAL PROCLAMATION OF IBNSAUD.

(Reuter's Service.)

Cairo, January 11.

The ex-Jedidiah Ibn Saud has been proclaimed King of Hedjaz and Mecca.

[A Port Sudan message of December 20 reported:—King Ali has abdicated the throne of Hedjaz. Hedjaz, the kingdom of Arabia, on the shores of Red Sea, is almost all stony desert. The northern portion is desolate and thinly populated. In the South there is more cultivation, dates, wheat, and barley being the chief products. Hedjaz is chiefly interesting on account of the sacred cities of Mecca and Medina, which it contains along with the seaports Jiddah and Yambu. A railway connecting the cities of Hedjaz with Damascus is under construction. After the participation of Turkey in the Great War (1915) this region was the scene of severe and prolonged fighting.]

## FORGED NOTES.

## HUNGARIAN VIEW OF THE RINGLEADERS.

(Havas Agency.)

Paris, January 11.

With regard to the Hungarian forgery of French banknotes, Count Joseph Karolyi, the Legationist Hungarian Deputy, told "Le Matin" that the ringleaders of the plot were German ultra-Nationalists, whose purpose is to annex Austria to Germany and make Hungary Germany's vassal.

## RIFF WAR.

## AN IMPORTANT FRENCH JUNCTION.

(Havas Agency.)

Paris, January 11.

Papers from Rabat say that our partisans in the regions of Fez and Taza have effected a junction north of the Senhaja hills, thus advancing the front on the road from Fez to Taza 200 kilometres northward; and submitting the whole region of the upper Leben to French control.

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## GERMAN AIMS.

## A PROPOSED COALITION GOVERNMENT.

## PROTECTION OF REPUBLIC.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, Jan. 10.

The Centre Party has passed a resolution in favour of the formation of a Government on the broadest basis, including members of all parties, from Socialists to German Peoples and Centrists.

The opinion is that this will be possible as the Government aims should be the promotion of a peaceful foreign policy, protection of the Republican Constitution, improvement of the economic condition of the country, and alleviation of social distress.

## HINDENBURG WILL MOVE.

Berlin, Jan. 11.

Marshal von Hindenburg discussed the political situation with Herr Fehrenbach and Herr Koch, leaders of the Centre Party and Democrats, respectively, and asked them to inform him by January 14 of the result of their efforts to form a big Coalition.

In the event of failure Marshal von Hindenburg will take matters in his own hands and appoint his own candidate.

## DRESDNER BANK.

## BLOCK OF SHARES SOLD IN NEW YORK.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, Jan. 11.

According to the "Vossische Zeitung," a block of shares in the Dresdner Bank, to the value of several million marks, has been sold to two New York banking firms, namely, Hall Garton and Company and Lehmann Brothers, at approximately the Berlin quotation.

## DUTCH PRINCESS.

## A COURSE OF STUDY IN LAW.

(Reuter's Service.)

Amsterdam, Jan. 11.

It is announced that Princess Juliana will start in February a course of instruction in Dutch constitutional law and international law under Professor Eysinga, of Leyden University.

## U. S. COAL STRIKE.

## ANOTHER CONFERENCE BREAKS DOWN.

## OWNERS' PROPOSAL REJECTED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, Jan. 11.

The conference called to settle the anthracite coal strike has again adjourned after the men's representatives rejected the owners' proposal to submit the dispute to arbitration.

## WORLD'S COAL.

## AN ENQUIRY BY GENEVA LABOUR OFFICE.

## INTERIM REPORT PROMISED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Leeds, January 11.

At the Conference of the University Labour Federation Mr. Clifford Robbins, representing the International Labour Office at Geneva, announced that the Office was enquiring into coal conditions throughout the world and that an interim report on the subject would be produced at the next Labour Conference.

## DAWES PLAN.

## WHAT GERMANY PAID LAST YEAR.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, Jan. 11.

A statement issued by the Agent-General for Reparations in regard to the working of the Dawes plan for 1925 shows that of the cash available, totalling 448,000,000 gold marks, France received 176,000,000, the British Empire 69,000,000, Italy 22,000,000, and Belgium 35,000,000.

The total payments amounted to 365,000,000 gold marks for the year, leaving a balance in cash of 83,000,000 gold marks at the close of the year.

## CHAMBERLAIN ILL.

## SYMPTOMS OF BRONCHIAL AFFECTION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Rapallo, Jan. 11.

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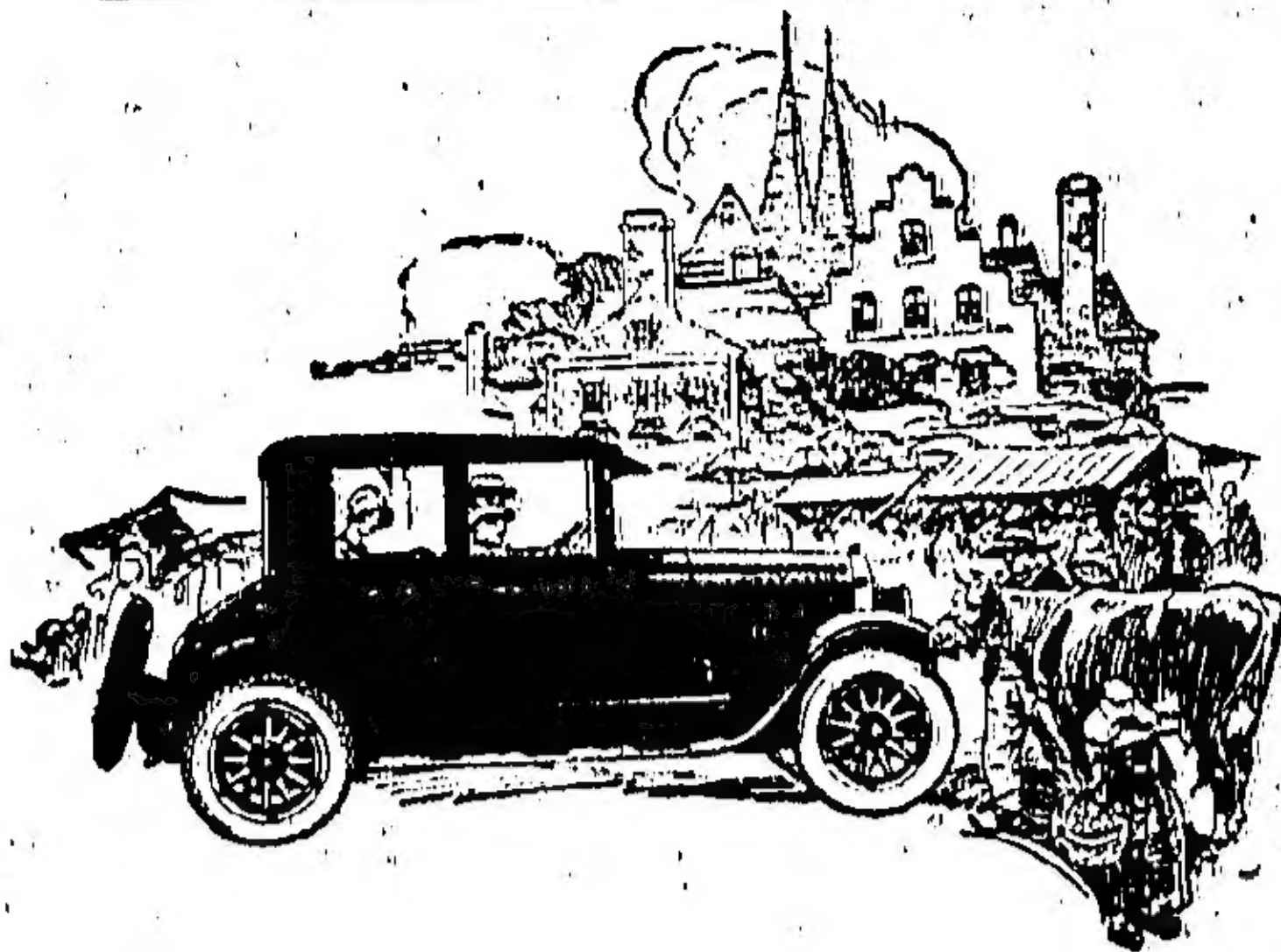
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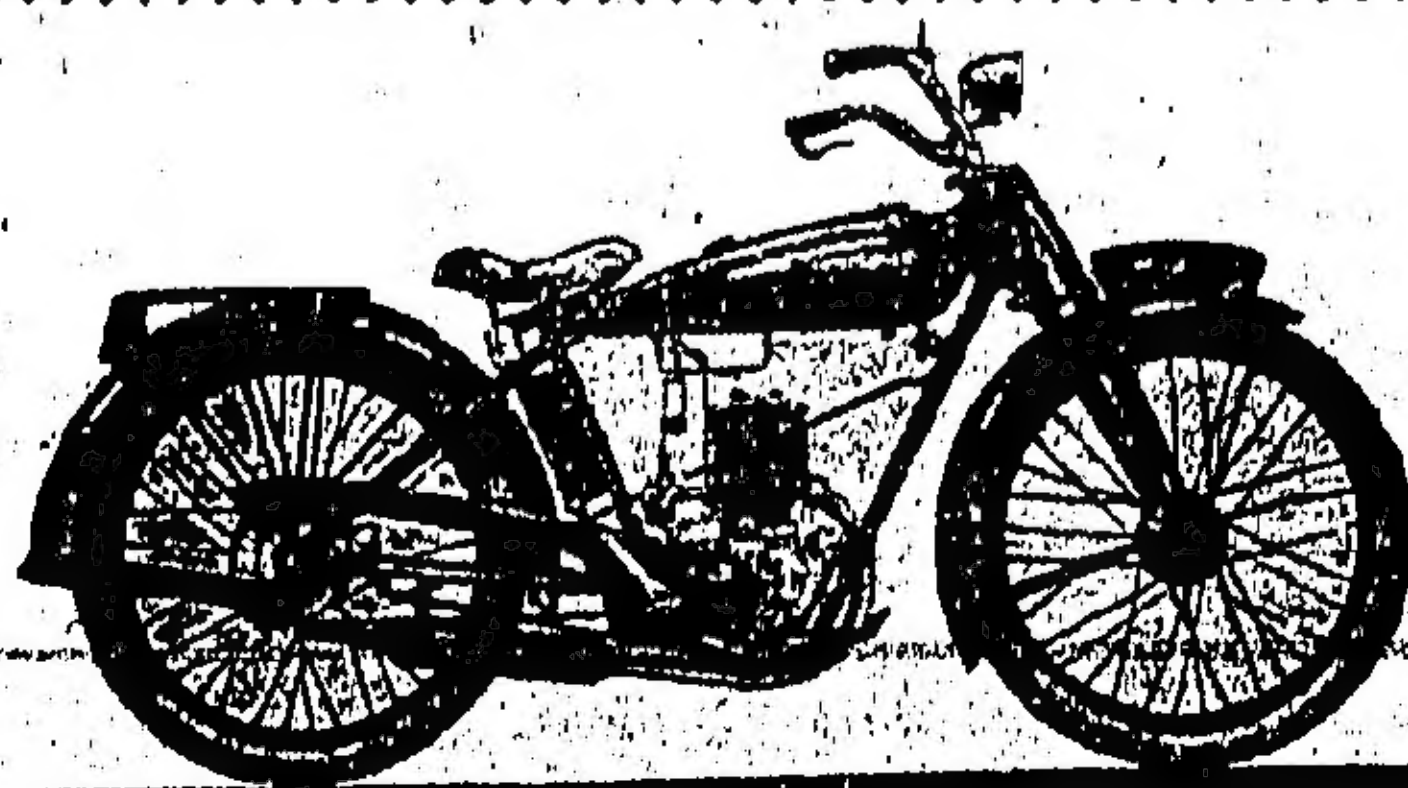
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One Chinese case of paratyphoid fever was reported in the Colony on Sunday. A dog was found to be suffering from rabies.

The "Yingchow" with the mail from the United Kingdom via Siberia is due to-day. She carries 23 bags from London via this route.

New kennels have recently been built for the Shanghai Hounds, on a plot of ground kindly lent by Mr. A. W. Burkill, just behind the site of the old kennels on Great Western Road. The new premises, which are commodious and airy, are built in semi-fanciful Chinese style.

A determined effort is being made to put opera on a sound basis in England. It is proposed to form a National Opera Trust, with a capital of £500,000, "to save opera," the promoters say, "from perishing in this country."

The Lord Chamberlain begs, in alluding to to-day, To adduce as excuse the report That our ballets are wrong, for the dances are long And the skirts of the dancers are short.

He thinks it a sign for young women to spin In such bold pirouetting and curves, And the sight of a dance, whether here or in France, Is too much for the Chamberlain's nerves!

A week or two ago the Birmingham Licensing authorities insisted that Pavlova must wear tights for her dances. They have now fallen foul of George Robey. After he had sung in a dance skit the song, "I Stopped, I Looked, and I Listened," which he has been performing for over ten years without complaint, Robey was told that he must not do it again—at least, not within earshot (or eye-shot) of Birmingham!

Soup has lost its prestige on the English menu, jazz having helped to make it unpopular, because dancers demand foodstuffs of a more solid nature.

The total output of the Kailash Mining Administration's mine for the week ending December 26, 1925, amounted to 73,780 tons and the sales during the period to 34,240 tons.

About 500 girl students in Tokyo have held a meeting at the Okuma Memorial Hall, Waseda, to launch another movement to ask the Government to increase the number of colleges and higher educational facilities for girls. Dr. Sawayanagi, president of the Imperial Educational Association, and several other leading educationalists spoke at the meeting.

More than ¥1,000,000 of the Yokohama municipal fund for buying perpetual leases held by foreigners on property in that city has already been spent and the authorities hope that it will be a matter of only a few more months before they can turn their attention to selling the property, which they intended to do only when the entire ¥3,000,000 fund has been used.

Some 300 students of Borough-road Training College for Teachers, at Isleworth, held a mock marriage ceremony. The contracting parties were "Sir Percy de Sylabus" and "Lady Maggie Hygiene." In costume the students marched to Peers Fountain, singing a school song, "The Sweetest Girl I Have Known." There the Rev. Cyprian J. Clark conducted the ceremony by placing a dog-collar round the neck of the bridegroom and tying him to the bride's apron-strings. After that the students drew the bridal party back to the college recreation room, where a reception was held, provided as the result of a raid on the tuck shop.

There are said to be 2,322 Americans, soldiers, public men and others, who received the Legion of Honour from France.

Beauty specialists in Tokyo, numbering more than 39 have organised an association to co-operate in the development of their trade. This organisation is styled the Tokyo Beauty Parlour Association.

There have been 619 marriages between non-commissioned officers and men of the British Army on the Rhine with Germans from the beginning of the occupation up to the end of June, 1925, said Captain King in a Parliamentary answer.

Florida's suicide rate since the recent prosperity boom started has increased 28 per cent. over that existing 8 years ago while at the same time the general death rate showed a 25 per cent. improvement during the same period.

An Italian merchant living in Munich recently won the equivalent of \$125,000 in a lottery. After receiving news of his winning he committed suicide. When he bought the lottery ticket he signed a statement that in case he should win he would give half the prize to the Society of Munich Chimney Sweeps and the rest of it to the breweries.

During the past year, considerable development has occurred in regard to the employment in mercantile shipbuilding of Special Quality Steel, having a higher limit of elasticity than that of ordinary mild steel. Messrs. Alfred Holt & Co., of Liverpool, decided to adopt the new material in the construction of the motor-ship "Prometheus," being built to their order by Messrs. Scott's Shipbuilding and Engineering Co., Ltd., at Greenock, under the Society's survey with a view to being classed in Lloyd's Register Book.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Dr. J. R. Mott was received in audience by the Prince Regent of Japan on December 19.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Clements are giving a garden party at Government House on the 20th instant.

On January 11, members of the Shanghai French community produced a play by Sacha Guitry, "Une Nouvelle Etoile," at the Cercle Sportif. Madame C. Grosbois is taking one of the rôles.

Miss Julia Ladow, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ladow of Shanghai, was married on December 24 to Captain Richard Hughes at St. Joseph's Church, Shanghai. A wedding reception was held after the service at the Majestic Hotel-Winter Garden.

Mr. M. O. Springfield, the Master of the Shanghai Hounds, has left for home on leave by the s.s. "Antenor." As Master, for the past five years, of the Shanghai Hounds, Mr. Springfield has worked up much enthusiasm among sportsmen for both drag and foot hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. George Russell, well-known members of the Kobe foreign community, will leave soon for Singapore, where Mr. Russell has been transferred by the Dunlop Rubber Company with whom he has been affiliated in Kobe. Mr. Russell has captained the K.R. and A.C. rugby team for two successive seasons. Mrs. Russell is the daughter of the former British Consul-General in Kobe, Mr. R. G. E. Forster.

The prize-winners at the masked Cinderella fancy dress dance held under the auspices of the Royal Naval Dockyard Ladies' Club at the Seamen's Institute on Saturday night were as under:—The best dressed: Miss Hardings, as an Harry Victorian; Mr. Frenham, as a Russian Officer. The most original costume: Mrs. Rogers, as Mah Jong; Mr. Jones, as a Hunchback. The best character: Miss Stuart, as Joan of Arc; Mr. Price, as Pre-Historic Man. The judging was carried out by Miss Loy, H.E. Vice-Admiral Sir Edwin Alexander-Sinclair, K.C.B., M.V.O. (Commander-in-Chief of the China Station), and Commodore A. J. B. Sirling. The prizes were presented to the winners by Miss Loy.

Subscriptions to the Over-Seas League are due on January 1 each year. Local members may pay their subscriptions to Mr. G. R. Edwards, of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd.

The engagement is announced of Mademoiselle Marie Claudel, the daughter of the French Ambassador to Japan and Madame Claudel, to Mr. Christian Bonamy, attaché to the French Foreign Office, son of a prominent surgeon attached to the Goulon Hospital, Paris.

Mr. Harold Van Buren MacGonigle, the New York architect commissioned by the United States Government to study the surroundings and draw up plans for the new American Embassy to be built in Renzazaka, has left for America after a month and half in Tokyo.

At the request of the Empress of Japan, girls of the Peers' School conducted another parade, carrying flags and motion pictures were taken, to be presented to the Empress. The first parade was held by the girls of the naming of the Imperial grandchild and the Empress was greatly pleased with the sight.



For the sixth time Miss Grace Vanderbilt, daughter of Brigadier-General and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt of New York, is reported engaged. Her fiance now is said to be Albert H. Ely, Jr., son of a society doctor.

Mr. S. Yamanouchi, former Consul-General at Harbin, has been appointed Counsellor of the Japanese Embassy to France.

Prince Chichibu and Ambassador Matsui are to be guests of honour at the annual banquet of the Japan Society on January 28.

Mr. Eric R. Dickover, American Consul in charge at Kobe, has cabled to the Department of State at Washington, D.C., requesting financial assistance to send the three Bobbies stranded in Kobe back to their homes in the United States.

We regret to record the death of Madre Hedwiges de Conceicao, the Superioress of the Canosian Institute at Malacca, states the "Straits Times," which occurred at the Singapore branch of the Institute on Saturday morning, January 2, 1926, and in response to the wish of her Malacca colleagues and pupils the body was ruled down to Malacca in the evening for burial. The deceased lady was born in Macao, and was 57 years old. She took the veil in 1894 at the Hongkong Noviciate, and before coming here spent some years in Macao and Timor Dilly, and about 15 years ago came out to Malacca as Superioress. She had been in failing health for some time back.

The King of Sweden has recently awarded to Mr. K. I. Nordmark of the Swedish firm Gadelius and Co., Ltd., Tokyo, his gold medal "For Praiseworthy Deed" in consequence of Mr. Nordmark's brave conduct at Tsukiji during the great disaster in 1923, when, regardless of his own danger, he saved many people from being burnt to death by the approaching fire. The medal was handed over to Mr. Nordmark by Mr. Wennerberg, the Swedish Charge d'Affaires, at the annual meeting of the Swedish Society of Japan at the Imperial Hotel on December 18. Nearly all the members had come together for this occasion. Amongst those present were: Mr. Gadelius, President of the Society, and Mrs. Gadelius; Consul and Mrs. Gadelius; Mr. and Mrs. Avall; Mr. and Mrs. Ekman, Mr. and Mrs. de Essen and Mr. and Mrs. Hartog.

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# "CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE

## WITH THE ASHES.

AUSTRALIA THINKS SHE WILL WIN.

### BETTER 1926 PROGRAMME.

On March 14, the Australian Test cricket team will leave for England, from Fremantle, by the s.s. "Oronsay."

About March 23, the steamer will be in Colombo and the Australians will play Ceylon for the first time in 14 years.

Mr. J. C. Davis, editor of the "Keterer" and Dr. R. J. Pope, who has accompanied every Australian team since 1890 to England, will also accompany the team. Mr. Sydney Smith, honorary Secretary to the Australian Board of Control, will be manager.

Interviewed in Australia, Mr. Sydney Smith made some very interesting observations relative to the tour of the Australian eleven next year. Asked if the programme for the 1926 tour was an improvement of that of 1924, Mr. Smith replied emphatically in the affirmative. The North and South of England games have again been included after a lapse of many years. Those are practically Test matches, and in the past were always tough propositions for the Australian team. Another game likely to create great interest is that against the great "Public Schools" at Lords. The match against the Civil Service should also be an interesting fixture.

The main feature of the 1926 programme, according to Mr. Smith, is the provision of a day's rest before each Test, a matter which caused much argument in 1924.

Mr. Smith is of opinion that Australia will retain the Ashes, provided they get anything like a summer, and if the team is carefully selected. There was no doubt, however, he said, that England would put a much better side into the field than they had in Australia last season and some tough battles should result.

## GOLF.

### "TAIKOO" v. "WAYFOONG."

The annual match between teams representing the above "hongs" was played at Farling on Sunday, "Wayfoong" winning a most enjoyable and interesting match by 54 points. Full score is detailed below:—

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Taikoo	Wayfoong
H. M. Ireland beat R. L. "Moncrieff"	1
M. M. Gibb beat E. D. Black	1
W. Ironside lost to W. J. Clerk	1
R. J. Rawlinson beat G. M. Dalgety	1
G. M. Young lost to G. E. Towns	3
J. Thayer lost to R. A. Green	1
H. E. D. Adams lost to J. Walker	1
D. Templeton beat C. I. Cooke	1
W. Brown lost to D. B. Peat	1
F. Souther beat C. L. Edwards	1
C. M. Vise lost to T. W. Boyle	1
B. D. Banner lost to J. A. D. Morrison	1

#### FOURBALLS.

Ireland and Gibb lost to Moncrieff and Black	2
Ironside and Rawlinson lost to Clerk and Dalgety	2
Young and Thayer beat Towns and Green	2
Adams and Templeton lost to Walker and Cooke	2
Brown and Souther beat Peat and Edwards	2
Vise and Banner lost to Doyle and Morrison	2

Total ..... 94 154

The following have been selected to represent the Hongkong Hockey Club against the Royal Navy in a Six Shield competition match at the U.S.C. at 4.45 p.m. sharp:—E. W. Hamilton, C. L. R. Becher, A. P. T. Farquharson, E. F. Stewart, E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), Rev. E. W. L. Martin, H. Owen Hughes, A. S. Hett, W. Woodward, B. D. Evans, A. Dyer Ball.

## FOOTBALL.

DRAW FOR ENGLISH CUP TIES.

### FOURTH ROUND.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, January 11.

The draw for the fourth round of the English Cup, to be played on January 30, is as under:—

Swansea v. Stoke.  
Cardiff or Burnley v. Newcastle United.

Everton or Fulham v. Southampton or Liverpool.  
Notts County v. New Brighton.

Tottenham Hotspurs v. Manchester United.  
Notts Forest v. Swindon.

South Shields v. Birmingham.  
Wolverhampton Wanderers or Arsenal v. Blackburn or Preston North End.

West Bromwich Albion v. Aston Villa.  
Sheffield United v. Sunderland.

Bournemouth v. Bolton Wanderers.  
South End v. Derby County or Portsmouth.

Clapton Orient v. Middlesbrough.  
Bury v. Millwall Athletic or Oldham.

Northampton or Crystal Palace v. Chelsea.  
Corinthians or Manchester City v. Huddersfield.

## YACHTING.

### LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

The fifth of the Ladies' Championship races took place yesterday afternoon in a forceful wind, the course being, Lyemum Beacon, Channel Rocks, Mark on Line, and Cust Rock Buoy, start and finish at the Club, a distance of 6½ miles.

The race took place in good sailing weather, although most of the ladies had a wetting. There was a strong flood tide all the afternoon, and the boats that kept in to the Kowloon shore up to the Beacon did better than the few who kept in to Hongkong.

In the Handicap Class, Colleen now leads with 33 points, Diana having 32.

In the other classes Bluenose and Sealark are level with 43 points, and Gladys next with 41.

The details are as under:—

#### Handicap Class.

Colleen	Bluenose	Gladys	Sealark	Pierrette	Boojum	Thecla	Adanac	Joan
5.52	4.38.24	4.38.02	4.38.02	4.38.02	4.38.02	4.38.02	4.38.02	4.38.02
1.04	4.22.08	4.21.04	4.21.04	4.21.04	4.21.04	4.21.04	4.21.04	4.21.04
1.36	4.39.38	4.38.02	4.38.02	4.38.02	4.38.02	4.38.02	4.38.02	4.38.02
5.20	4.29.08	4.28.08	4.28.08	4.28.08	4.28.08	4.28.08	4.28.08	4.28.08

#### Hayward Hays and Gais.

Bluenose (1st)	1.36	4.38.24	4.38.02
Gladys (2nd)	1.36	4.39.38	4.38.02
Sealark (3rd)	1.36	4.41.05	4.39.29
Pierrette	3.12	4.43.05	4.39.03
Boojum	1.36	4.43.26	4.41.50
Thecla	4.48	4.45.45	4.40.57
Adanac	1.36	4.45.59	4.44.23
Joan	2.08	4.48.66	4.48.48
Gais	2.40	4.55.44	4.53.04

## CRICKET.

M.C.C. MATCH WITH WEST INDIES.

### THE FIRST TEST.

(Reuter's Service.)

Barbados, Jan. 11.

Heavy rain through the night delayed the start of to-day's play between the M.C.C. and the West Indies until after lunch, the wicket being unplayable.

The West Indies were dismissed for 147 runs, of which Tarleton scored 50, and Challenger 63.

Root took four wickets for 37 runs; Calhorne three for 11; and Kilner two for 43.

The West Indies followed on and had scored 12 for two wickets when stumps were drawn.

[A cable of January 9 stated:—There were 2,000 persons present to witness the second day's play in the First Test between the M.C.C. and West Indies. The weather was fine, and the batsmen had a good wicket. The M.C.C. declared the innings closed with the score 597 for 8 wickets. Hammond scored 238 not out; Capt. T. O. Jameson 98 and Astill 65. The West Indies had obtained 76 runs without loss, when stumps were drawn.]

## BOXING.

MITCHELL'S CHALLENGE ACCEPTED.

Stoker Norman Morris, H.M.S. "Hermes," has published the following:—

"I read that P. O. Mitchell of H.M.S. "Concord" would like to fight me. If it can be arranged by the H.K.B.A., I will oblige him to a fifteen rounds contest. I would also like to fight any other welter in the Colony, fifteen or twenty-three minute rounds, for a side-stake of three hundred dollars. Before leaving the Colony I would like to give the sport fans a real fight as my last fight was not so pleasing. I will go into the middle-weight class, if necessary. I will fight anyone, and keep up my reputation which I hold in England as a game fighter."

## GOLF.

ENGLAND AND FRANCE v. AMERICA.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Tampa, January 11.

In a four ball match Archie Compston (England) and Arnold Massy (France) defeated Jim Barnes and Johnny Farrell (America) at the 39th hole.



Imogene C. Lovelace, nine years of age, who rescued three companions from drowning, received the bronze Carnegie medal for bravery.

## CRICKET.

The following will represent the Hongkong Cricket Cricket in League fixtures on Saturday, commencing at 2 p.m.:—

1st XI v. Craigengower (Away).  
R. Hancock (captain), A. W. Hayward, H. Owen Hughes, J. D. Humphreys, E. J. R. Mitchell, R. E. H. Oliver, T. E. Pearce, T. B. Powell, L. P. Ralph, E. F. Stewart, and F. N. Young.

2nd XI v. Royal Engineers (at home).—W. W. Mackenzie (captain), H. Griffin, J. Hall, A. K. Mackenzie, D. E. G. Nicholson, N. V. Parker, D. B. Peat, T. D. E. Penderud, H. G. Sheldon, G. R. Vallack, and M. M. Watson.

## FANLING HUNT.

A paper chase will be held on Saturday, January 16. The meet will be alongside Mr. Pott's bungalow at 3 p.m. Paper hunt will start at 3.30 p.m. On Sunday, January 17, the hounds will meet at the Kennels, Kwan Ta, at 10.30 a.m.

## HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey 2nd XI in a match against H.M.S. "Hermes" at the U.S.B.C. ground to-morrow at 5 p.m.:—A. J. Frank, C. L. R. Becher, J. Wedlake (Captain), A. A. Dand, L. P. Ralph, A. N. O'Neil, J. Prior, S. E. Garrod, D. Lyon, H. J. Armstrong, and T. J. Price.

## HOCKEY TOUR.

INDIAN VARSITY MAN'S TEAM.

(via Colombo.)

Brussels, Dec. 19.  
Jaipul Singh's hockey team opened their tour in Belgium and drew with Diablos Rouge, the teams sharing two goals.

Jaipul Singh's hockey team created an excellent impression, and were frequently cheered.

The first half was most even, and no goals were scored. A second half yielded two goals within two minutes, the Belgian, Dieckmans, scoring the first. Then Jaipul himself equalised from a penalty.

Brussels, Dec. 20.  
Jaipul Singh's hockey team met the Antwerp team. The latter scored once, but after half an hour play was abandoned owing to the state of the ground.

## TODD BEATEN.

ENGLISH BOXER LOSES IN AMERICA.

(United Press.)

Daye Shade, California middle-weight, administered a terrific beating to the English fighter, Roland Todd, in their 10 round holiday bout. The Londoner took it and stood up, but every round was counted against him.

## TUNGSHING'S FATE.

COLLISION WITH "EMPRESS OF ASIA."

SUNK IN FOUR MINUTES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, Jan. 11.

The collision between the "Tungshing" and the "Empress of Asia" occurred at daylight, the "Tungshing" breaking in half between the after hatch and sinking in four and a half minutes. No foreigners were lost, but between five and ten Chinese passengers and crew were drowned.

The "Empress of Asia" stood by rendering prompt assistance and saving many lives. She then proceeded to Woodjong, where temporary repairs will be effected and the vessel will proceed to Vancouver probably to-day.

The "Tungshing" wreck lies in the fairway, but does not block the passage to the harbour. The only foreign passengers aboard were two Norwegian ship's officers.

The "Tungshing" cleared Hongkong on January 7 for Shanghai and Tainan, with a cargo of rice and sugar. Her officers were Captain J. M. Sturgeon, Chief Officer Woodley, Second Officer F. Webster, Chief Engineer A. S. Spiers, Second Engineer R. Maloney, Third Engineer F. Kerslake. The "Empress of Asia" left Hongkong at daylight on January 8, with a fair passenger list, among those travelling from here being Comdr. L. S. Ingham, R.N., Mr. Hyde Lay, Mr. J. J. Macpherson, Mr. M. S. B. A. Proulx, Mr. F. A. Cox and the Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Turner. Of these, some may have disembarked at Shanghai. The master is Captain Douglas, R.N.R.

FURTHER DELAY.  
Latest information regarding the "Empress of Asia" is that the repairs will take longer than was at first anticipated. It is not anticipated that the ship will sail from Shanghai before Thursday or Friday.

"MY LOST LOVER."  
MRS. KENDAL ON HOW SHE WAS "ROBBED."

"ACTRESS-RIVALS."  
"Don't talk to me of that wicked woman!" She was my rival and stole my blue-eyed sweetheart, and married him too, she knows she did!"

Mrs. Margaret Kendal, the famous actress, scorned ferociously as she told a "Sunday Express" representative the story of the "theft" perpetrated by Miss Lottie Vene, another famous actress, for whom a Jubilee benefit was given.

At the benefit, Mrs. Kendal made a little speech of congratulation to her sister actress, in which she laughingly accused her of stealing her sweetheart, and adding, "Lottie, you know you did, you can't deny it!"

After frowning darkly, Mrs. Kendal chuckled with great amusement.

"At least, that's my pet story, and I am going to stick to it," she went on. "And, as it all happened at least a hundred years ago, nobody can expect me to remember the exact details."

"The father of Mr. Walter H. Fisher, the young man who afterwards married Lottie, was the Bristol photographer to whom I need to be taken. No one could deny that his son Walter was a very handsome boy, with the singing voice of an angel."

"And who could blame me if we had an outrageous flirtation behind my parents' backs? I ask any young girl, would she be sternly availing herself if a young man coaxed her into a quiet corner, and sang love songs under his breath? A young man with blue eyes, too?"

LONG CURLS.  
"His father should really have been an artist instead of a photographer, and painted a picture of me as Georgina in 'Our American Cousin,' as I was appearing then with long curls and a funny hat."

"I will have to admit that I never saw Walter Fisher after I was fifteen years old, and I am afraid that we weren't either of us too content, and that I forgot him completely when I went to the Haymarket Theatre at an early age."

"Years after, I heard that Lottie had married a man from Bristol named Walter Fisher, said to myself, 'Fisher? Walter? That can be none other than my blue-eyed sweetheart!' And when I met Lottie again I accused her of basely stealing him from me. It has been my pet joke ever since, and I don't intend to lose it."

## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

### OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 12, 1926, 10.30 A.M.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers Association.	Share & Real Estate Brokers Society.
T.T. on London	2 1/4	2 1/4 3/8	2 1/4 3/8
T.T. on Shanghai	75 1/4	75 3/4	nom.
Banka			
Hongkong Bank	1060 b 106 1/2 sa	\$1060 b 107 1/2	\$1060 sa.
do. London.	121 n.	121 n.	121 1/2 n.
Chartered Bank	121 n.	121 n.	121 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	121 n.	121 1/2 n.	121 1/2 n.
do. C.	121 3/8 n.	121 3/8 n.	121 n.
P. & O. Bank	121 n.	121 n.	121 n.
Bank of East Asia	121 n.	121 n.	121 n.
Marine Insurances.	121 n.	121 n.	121 n.
Canton Insurance	500 b.	600 n.	\$ 600 n.
China Underwriters	254 n.	230 n.	2 n.
North China Insurance.	T 145 n.	T 140 n.	T 140 n.
Union Insurance	253 b. 253 1/4	253 sa.	253 b. & sa.
Yangtze Insurance	35 b. 1254 sa	36 b.	36 n.
Fire Insurances.			
China Fire Insurance	165 h	165 b.	\$200 n.
H.K. Fire Insurance	600 s	600 n.	590 n.
Shipping.			
Douglases	45 n.	32 n.	35 s.
Hongkong Steamboats	24 h.	24 s.	23 b.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	4 1/2 n.	4 1/2 n.	4 s.
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	38 n.	30 n.	37 n.
do. (Def.) Ltd.	45 s.	—	65 s.
do. (H.K.)	45 s.	45 sa.	—
Oriental Navigation	\$250 n.	250 n.	—
Shell Transports	96 1/2 n.	97/6 b.	97/6 b.
Star Ferries	\$62 1/2 n.	58 1/2 n.	\$60 s 59 sa
Water-boats	16 b.	16 n.	16 b.
Refineries.			
China Sugars	31 s.	31 s.	31 s.
Malabon Sugars	48 n.	35 s.	50 n.
Mining.			
Benguet	1.00 n.	—	2 1/4 n.
Kallang Mining Ad.	45/-	45/- n.	47 1/6 n.
Langkats (Combined)	T 33 1/2 s.	T 34 1/2 n.	T 34 sa
do. (Single)	20 n.	21 n.	—
Shanghai Exploration	1.45 n.	5 1/2 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	8 n.	8 n.	—
Raubis	\$5.80 s.	\$5 1/2 s.	6 s.
Ironoh Mines	\$5/-	60/- n.	60/- b.
Ural Caspian	8/- n.	—	7/- b.
Docks, Wharves Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	\$130 n.	\$130 n.	\$129 s.
H.K. & W. Docks	56 3/4 b. & sa.	56 b.	56 b.
Hongkows	T 165 b.	—	T 165 b.
New Engineerings	7 b.	T 7 b.	7 b.
Shanghai Docks	114 n.	114 b.	112 b.
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	88 1/2 s. 8 sa.	7 1/4 b.	7 1/2 b.
do. (new)			
Hongkong Lands	66 n.	65 s.	66 s. & sa
H.K. Realty	5 b.	5 1/4 n.	5 1/2 n.
H.K. Territorials	6 b.	6 1/4 b.	6 b.
Humphreys Estates	13 1/2 b.	13 1/4 n.	14 1/2 n.
Princes Building	150 n.	150 s.	—
Rural Lands	7 s.	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	T 10 s.	T 9 1/4 b.	T 10 s.
Oriental	3 n.	3 b.	3 1/2 s.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	62 s.	62 s.	60 s.
do. (new)	31 s.	34 s.	33 s.
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ices	\$7 1/2 n.	\$7 s.	\$ 7 s.
Cements (comb.)	15 1/4 b.	15 1/4 n.	15 b.
do. (old)	12 1/2 n.	12 n.	12 b.
do. (new)	3 n.	3 s.	3 b.
China Buses	T 10 1/2 b.	—	10 1/2 n.
China Lights (comb.)	19 s.	17 n.	17 1/2 s.
do. (old)	15.10 n.	12 1/2 n.	15 s.
do. (new)	10 s.	9 1/2 s.	9 s.
China Prov. (comb.)	30 n.	8 1/2 s.	—
do. (old)	8 s. 7 1/4 sa	—	7 1/2 b.
do. (new)	8 1/4 n.	—	—
Dairy Farms	17 1/4 n.	17 1/4 n.	17 1/2 s.
Der A Wing (full pd.)	10 n.	10 n.	—
do. (part pd.)	—	5 n.	—
Hongkong Amusements.	10 1/2 b.	10 1/4 b.	—
H.K. Constructions	254 b.	3 b.	4 s.
Hongkong Electric	54 n.	54 s.	54 s.
H.K. Developments	30 cts. b.	24 cts. b.	30 cts. b.
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	40 n.	—	40 n.
do. (old)	13 1/4 n.	13 1/2 s.	14 b.
do. (new)	8 1/4 n.	8 1/2 s.	8 1/2 n.
Hongkong Tramways	24 1/2 n.	23 1/4 n.	24 s.
lane, Crawfords	12 1/4 n.	12 1/2 n.	13 s.
Macao Electric	40 n.	—	—
Mackintosh	2 1/2 n.	—	—
Nanyang Tobaccos	—	12.10 b.	—
Peak Trams (old)	16 b. 16 1/2 sa.	15 1/2 n.	17 b.
do. (new)	8 n.	8 n.	9 n.
Sincere	11 s.	10 b.	9 b.
Singapore Trams	8 1/2 n.	8 1/2 n.	—
Taxis	4 s.	5 s.	5 s.
United Asbestos	20 n.	—	—
do. (Pounders)	—	600 n.	—
do. (Ordinary)	—	18 n.	—
Watsons (old)	12 1/4 b.	12 1/2 n.	14 s.
do. (new)	12 1/2 b.	—	—
Wm. Powells	12 s.	—	12 n.



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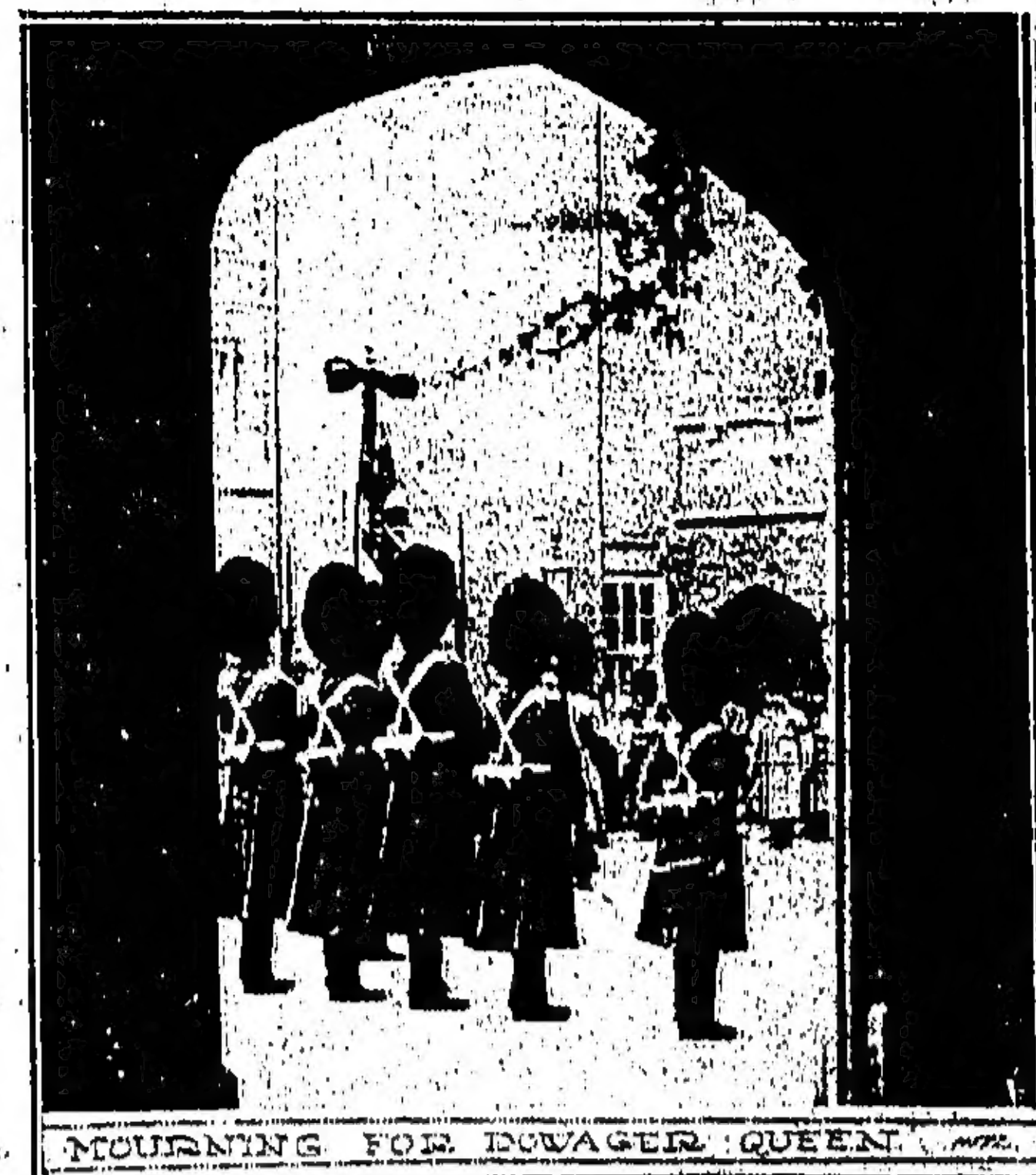


QUEEN ALEXANDRA LYING IN STATE

The body of the "Queen Mother" (Queen Alexandra) is shown lying in state in the chapel at Sandringham.



Clara Bauer, seventeen, the healthiest girl in Indiana, has been selected 99.9 per cent. perfect in the search to find the most perfect woman as conducted in conjunction with the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago.



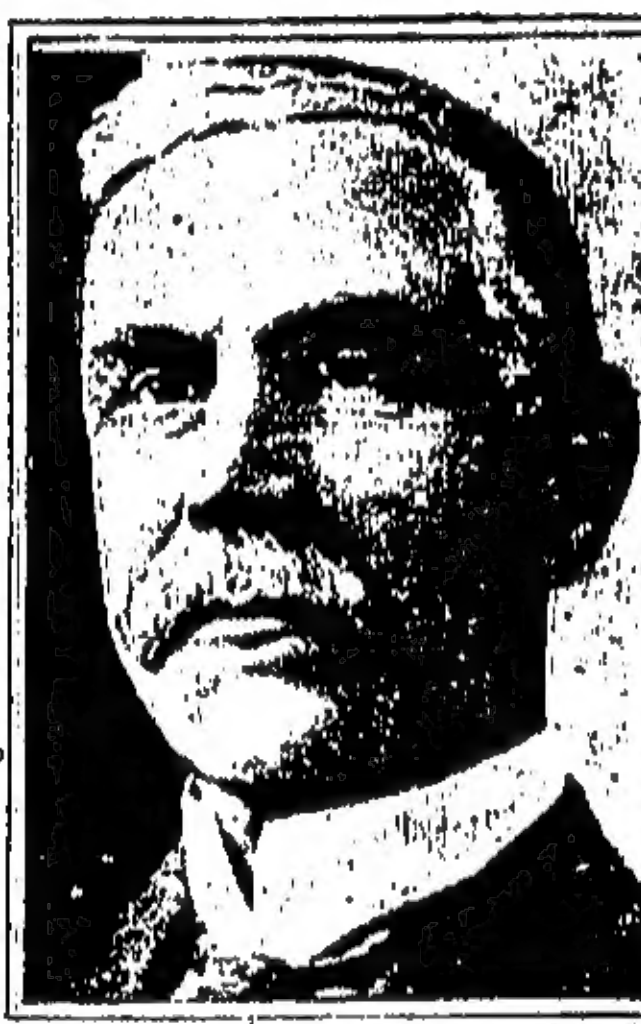
MOUNTING FOR DEWATER QUEEN  
In memory of Queen Alexandra, the Guard of St. James Palace, stand at attention in the courtyard, with its colours draped.



For his contributions to pharmacology, Dr. John J. Abel, of Johns Hopkins University, is the first to receive the annual award of \$2,500 offered by the Research Corporation to the man who makes the most outstanding contribution to science without reward to himself.



MODEL CARVED FROM SOAP  
This interesting model of one of the Spanish Armada, fashioned from soap by a girl under fifteen, was exhibited at the Soap Sculpture Exhibit at the Art Centre in New York.



Captain Herbert Hartley, of the "Leviathan," set a new record for the liner, when he crossed the Atlantic in five days, six hours and twenty-six minutes. Senator Reed Smoot, of the American Debt Commission, is certain that France will speed her payments. Captain Lemaitre, French ace, and winner of a trophy at the International Air Races, was dangerously hurt in a motor accident in France. Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Premier of England, his wife and daughter, were unharmed when their motor car was wrecked in a collision in England.



Here he is, himself in person, ready for his annual visit to the poor of dogdom. The good little puppies received a biscuit or a nice meaty bone from him during the festive season.



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"Red" Grange, the "phantom flier" of American football, as he renounced his amateur status for several hundred thousands of dollars a season.

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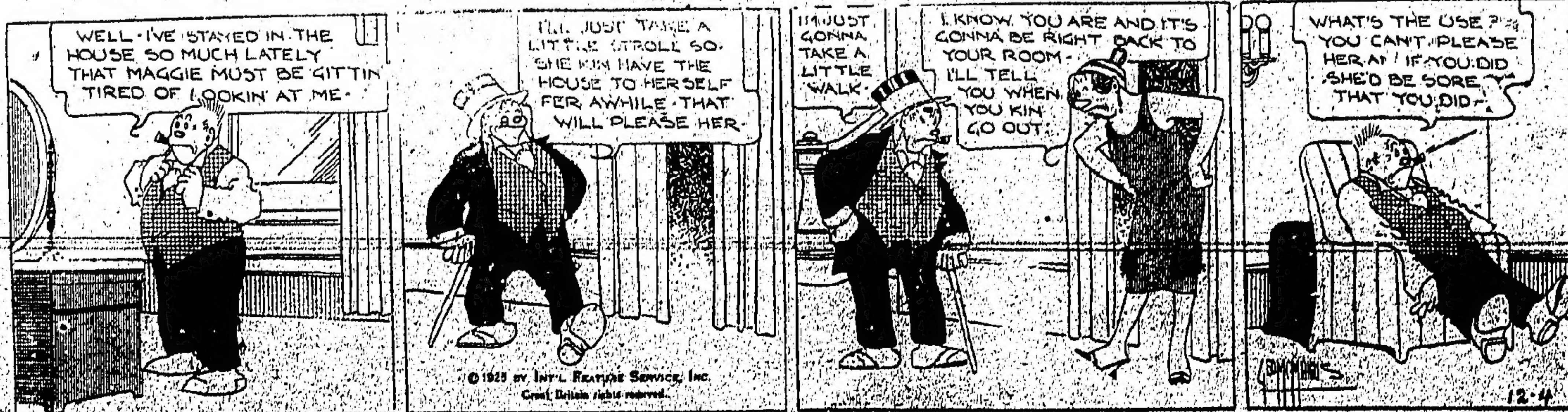
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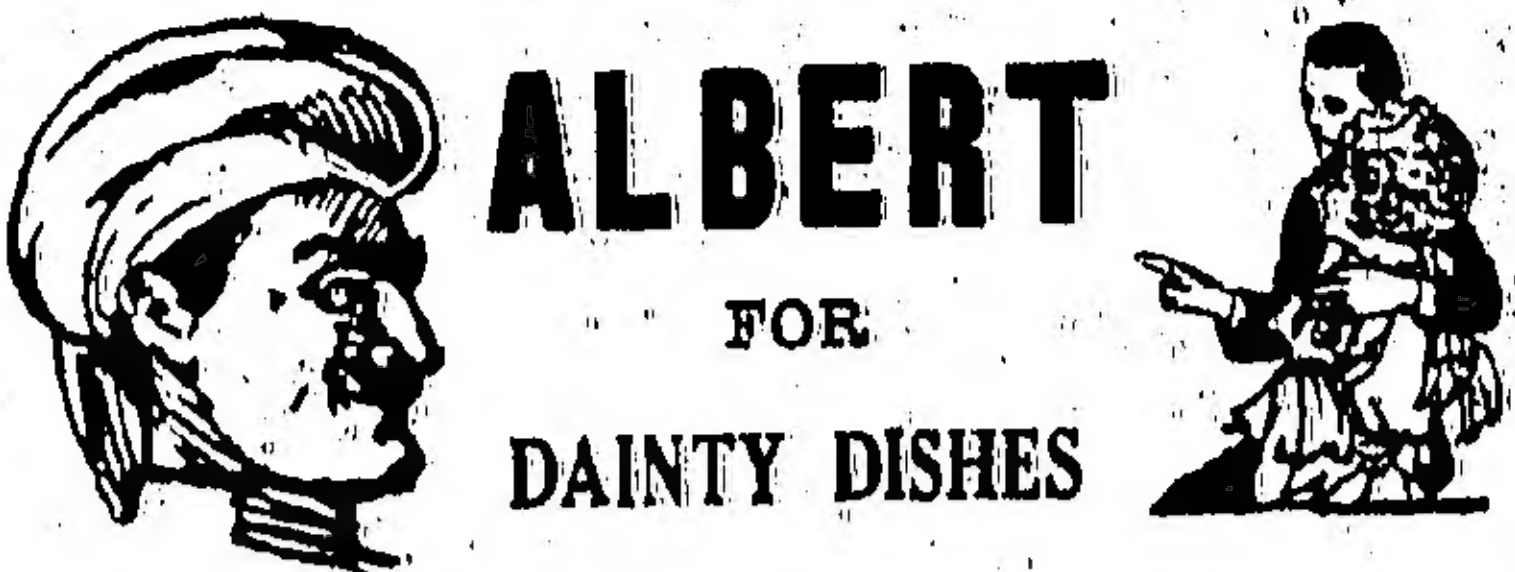
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**HONGKONG HEIGHTS.**

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1825
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1305
Talkoo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Rd. (Altitude)	297
Mainland.	
Tai Mo Shan	8124
Kowloon Peak	1871

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## ODDS AND ENDS

### Antiquity of Shingling.

I have discovered the first literary reference to shingling, and as it occurs in the fifteenth century the custom may be granted a respectable antiquity (observes an "Evening Standard" writer.)

It comes from the ballad of the "Nut-Brown Maid," and is associated not with towns but the greenwood. The lover who goes and spoils it all at the end by confessing that he is no fugitive to be faithful to whom she will suffer all hardships and tribulations, but a mere commonplace end with a large property, is praising the severities of her future lot:—

"To get, before, we must do more. If ye will go with me, As cut your hair up by your ear, Your kirtle by the knee."

The miserable anti-climax to this radiant tale of love's service prevents the deed being done. But if the muscading outcast had not been an end, there had the bright offering been made:—

"I shall as now do more for you Than length to womanhood: To shoot my hair."

### Wonder Harvester.

A harvesting machine used by a Pincher Creek (Alberta) farmer cut and threshed the crop in one operation. Operated by two men and drawn by eight horses, it covered daily 55 to 40 acres, and effected great economies in labour, twine, and power, amounting, according to the owner, to an average of 8d. per bushel.

### Fiction in Court.

In the course of a case of alleged perjury tried in the famous Old Bailey (London) a few weeks ago, Mr. Conyns Carr, K.C., counsel for the defendant, said:—"Fiction sometimes helps us more than the common experience of the man of the world. Many of you may remember the character of Mark Sabre in 'If Winter Comes.' He was a man who, in the face of the incredulity of his own wife, his partners, and his friends, befriended a girl in distress, and about to become a mother, took her into his own house and kept her there even though his wife left him and everybody thought there could be only one motive to induce him to act in that way. According to the declamations of the man of the world, you could not believe that story, but if you have read the book you believe it, and believe it true of human nature that there are men who will do as he did."

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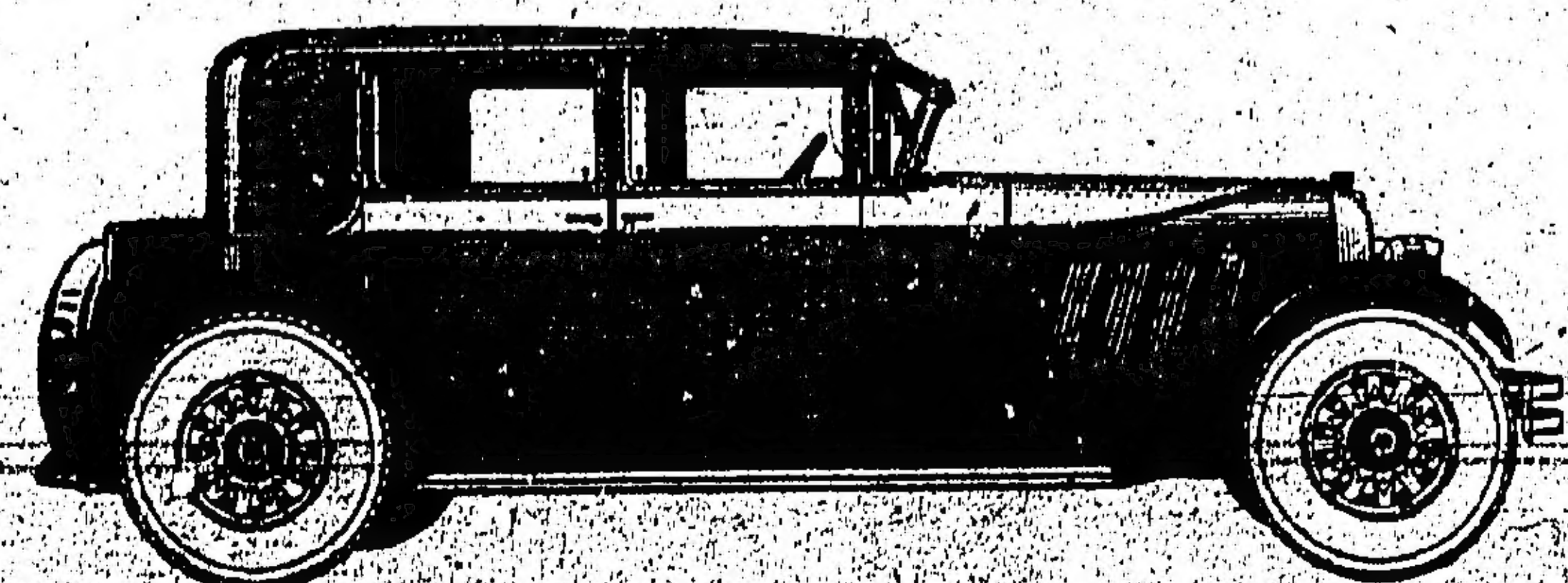
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